



## Donald Kent White

August 1, 1945 - February 7, 2025

Donald Kent White, 79, of Bartlesville, died on Friday 2/7/25. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, friend, and a child of God now rejoicing in heaven forever!

Don was born the son of Chester Franklin and Mary Ethel (Horne) White on August 1, 1945, in St. Louis, Missouri. Don grew up in Piedmont, Missouri and enjoyed spending time with his friends playing sports, games, and collecting baseball cards. He graduated from Clearwater High School in 1963 and from Southeast Missouri State University in 1967.

Don was stationed at Ent Air Force Base in Colorado Springs when he met Linda Scott. They quickly fell in love and married on July 31, 1971. Soon after getting married they moved to Joplin, Missouri, for a year before settling in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Don and Linda had two boys, Kent & Ben. Don enjoyed coaching the boys sports teams when they were young, and then attending their activities as they grew older. He worked for the United States Postal Service as an accountant for most of his career.

What was he like? Don accepted Jesus as his Lord and Savior at a young age. His love for the Lord flowed through him to others. He was a man of integrity, generosity, servanthood, and incredibly caring for the needs of others. He had a great sense of humor and always seemed to find a way to make people laugh. Don & Linda were very involved with their church family at

Linwood Wesleyan in Sioux Falls, South Dakota serving and attending Bible fellowship groups.

Don and Linda, the woman God blessed him with, enjoyed spending time together going for

walks, hiking, exercising, reading, enjoying a good cup of coffee, and spending time with friends. Some of their most cherished moments were spending time with their grandkids.

His

name was "Papa" to them. The couple spent countless hours with them and loved every minute

of it. Laughing and teasing between Papa and his grandkids was contagious. Papa's love for

Jesus was his highest priority, and he desired for others to know and love the Savior!

Don is survived by his two sons Kent (Holly) White and Ben White; grandchildren, Kylie, Drew, Trey, Kori, and three granddaughters from Ben. He is preceded in death by his wife Linda, parents (Chester & Ethel) and brother Phil.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held at 2:00 pm Sunday, February 23, 2025, at the Davis Family Funeral Home & Crematory – Walker Brown Chapel. Arrangements are under the direction of Carter Davis and the Davis Family Funeral Home and Crematory Walker-Brown Chapel. Online condolences and remembrances may be shared at [www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com](http://www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com)

# Previous Events

## Celebration Of Life Service

FEB **23**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home & Crematory - Walker Brown Chapel

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# Tribute Wall



“ Davis Family Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Donald Kent White



Davis Family Funeral Home - February 24, 2025 at 10:01 AM



“ Davis Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Donald Kent White



Davis Family Funeral Home - February 24, 2025 at 09:39 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Donald Kent White.

February 17, 2025 at 04:56 PM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald Kent White.



February 17, 2025 at 04:56 PM

JW

“ So sorry to hear. Don and Linda was such great people and enjoyed their friendship. Jack went to school with Don at Clearwater. The years of the class reunions ever 5 to 10 years, we also had a great time catching up with each other's families and shared stories about our kids. Don and Linda will be missed. May God Bless and comfort the families and friends. Rest in Peace.  
Jack and Peggy Wood.

jack wood - February 17, 2025 at 03:32 PM

MF

“ Mike Sagness Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Donald Kent White.



Mike Sagness Family - February 13, 2025 at 09:12 PM

JJ

“ I met Don and Linda through Ben in High School. These were truly some of the nicest people on earth. Sad to hear the news. The world needs more people like them. RIP

jon jurgensen - February 13, 2025 at 04:26 PM

MW

“ I knew Don from Linwood. He was a special man. My condolences to the family.

Melissa Wager - February 13, 2025 at 02:00 PM

BM

“ Don was a very good friend. He was the best. I always called him by his nickname, Buck. He was a good Christian man. The picture that I posted was taken on one of our morning runs. We used to run a lot before high school. Don had a reputation of being a little tight. We used to have a lot of fun kidding him about that. I have so many good and precious memories of this man and his wife, Linda. Such a beautiful couple inside and out.



Bill McMurry - February 13, 2025 at 09:52 AM

HE

*Well said, Bill. Don was a best friend and a great Christian man! He was always joking and kept you laughing. He was a lifelong friend to me. RIP*

**Harold Ellinghouse** - February 13, 2025 at 11:25 AM

RH

*Don and Linda lived across the street from us in Sioux Falls for many years. We sat outside laughing and joking in the summer, going on bike rides and eating desserts. Linda was like a sister to me and Don tolerated our "days of leisure." He was a good, kind and quick witted man. A true Christian in every sense of the word. We hold our memories tight. Our sympathy to all his family.  
Larry and Roxann*

**Roxann Hansen** - February 13, 2025 at 03:18 PM

WK

*Don, Linda & the boys were among the first people we met when we began attending Linwood. We enjoyed a long friendship and MANY laughs over the years. Surely Don, Linda & Gayle are rejoicing in Heaven!*

*Wayne Kerlake*

**Wayne Kerlake** - February 14, 2025 at 06:01 PM